



Minutes of the MILTON KEYNES CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLAN CONSULTATIVE BOARD held on WEDNESDAY 5 JANUARY 2000 at 5.00 pm

**Present:** Councillor Turnbull (Chair)  
Councillors Monk and Saunders

**Officers:** J Stansfield (Strategic Director Learning and Development), P Scrimshaw (Policy and Inter-Agency Liaison Manager), L McGillivray (Head of Policy and Communications), P Sutton (Head of Children's Services), J Cove (Leisure, Youth and Community Manager), D Cooper (Economy and Learning Manager), L Russell (Commissioning Manager), D Macaulay (Landscape Officer), T Hunter (Policy Officer), J Spicer (Principle Educational Psychologist), T Mabbott (Committee Manager) and J Marshall (Committee Manager)

Young Carers' Project

T Iliffe

MK Youth Assembly

R Greenwood

A Khatun

NCH Action for Children

L Eades

MK Youth Offending Team

L Westlake

MKPCG

L Kent

J Williams

Thames Valley Police

N Coolman

M Page

MK General NHS Trust

M Shipman

**Apologies:** J Balzanella (Pre-School Learning Alliance), C Burningham (Teachers' Professional

Associations), A Farr (Children's Services Manager), A Flack (Director of Education and Early Years Services), D Gamble (Advisory and School Support Manager), J Hugman (Senior Nurse/Professional Advisor to the MK Community NHS Trust), M Legg (Commissioning Officer), D Metcalf (Service Review Manager), C Mlyneck (Buckinghamshire Health Authority), D Morgan (Childrens and Young Persons Rights Officer), K Page (Head of Neighbourhood Services (Social Care)) S Wadsworth (Pupil Services Manager).

## **1.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Board held on 14 October 1999 were received.

## **2.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The Consultative Board received an update on the item 'Overcoming Racism' Consultation: Progress from the last meeting. The Board was informed that the young people involved in the consultation would report back to the Consultative Board themselves to give greater insight into the successes and failures of the process.

The Consultative Board received an update on the item 'MK Inter-Agency Code of Practice on Domestic Violence'. It was reported that the Children's Society had signed up to the document, and other agencies represented on the Consultative Board were encouraged to do so also.

## **3.0 BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HEALTH AUTHORITY'S HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME 2000-2003**

The Consultative Board considered the Buckinghamshire Health Authority's Health Improvement Programme. The Consultative Board felt that this was a helpful document and commented on the possibility of expanding the broad headings to concentrate on the specific areas which required action.

## **4.0 MILTON KEYNES HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME**

The Consultative Board considered a draft version of the Milton Keynes Health Improvement Programme. It was noted that the Board's comments on the document would be raised on its behalf by L Kent at the Health Improvement Steering Group on 6 January 2000.

## **5.0 DISCUSSION GROUPS**

The Consultative Board split up into groups to consider important strategies for delivering the goals included in the Buckinghamshire Health Improvement Programme. The groups considered which services they felt should be particularly highlighted in each area

- (a) Improving health and promoting healthy lifestyles

### Key Issues

Recognition for the important role of parents and families in a non-patronising, non-threatening way  
Other agency involvement

- (b) Tackling inequalities and ensuring fair access

### Key Issues

A multi agency approach, for example consider links with the Crime and Community Safety Partnership  
Focus on life changes, for example circumstantial causes of drug abuse  
Think laterally, for example consider how the impact of isolation on health could be lessened through social support or accessible public transport

- (c) Efficient and effective services

### Key Issues

Integration emphasised, for example joint assessments of children with disabilities.  
Use of community language service

- (d) Improving the environment

### Key Issues

Importance of quality of environment, for example for safety when walking to school  
Early identification of victims of domestic violence through liaison with

## **6.0 FUTURE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES PLANNING**

The Consultative Board considered the options for producing future Children and Young People's Services Plans. The Consultative Board was informed that the Department of Health had put forward the option of not producing a plan for the year 2001/2002. It was felt that this could be helpful in reducing the plethora of plans but the Consultative Board expressed concern that it could reduce the cohesive approach of the Consultative Board.

AGREED –

1. That the Children and Young People's Plan for the year 2000/2001 be produced by the next meeting of the Consultative Board as a summary document. This would include each partner's greatest achievement and

one goal which had not been achieved.

2. That the options for the year 2001/2002 be considered later in the year, including core values to which all agencies could adhere.

## **7.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

AGREED –

That the next meeting of the Board be held on Tuesday 14 March 2000 at 5 pm.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 6.26 PM